



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Black History Month serves as a celebration and a potent reminder that Black history is American history; Black culture is American culture; and Black stories are interwoven into the fabric of American – our struggles, our progress, our dreams; and

WHEREAS, Historian Carter G. Woodson launched Black History Week in 1926 to recognize the significant contributions of African Americans during the 2nd week of February. Congress Expanded it to National Black History Month 50 years later; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Black History Month in 2025 is African Americans and Labor, as 2025 marks the 100-year anniversary of the creation of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and Maids, which was the first Black union to receive a charter in the American Federation of Labor; and

WHEREAS, the theme intends to encourage broad reflections on intersections between Black people’s work and their workplaces in all their iterations and key moments, themes, and events in Black history and culture across time and space and throughout the U.S., Africa, and the Diaspora; and

WHEREAS, during Black History Month all are encouraged to reflect on the rich history and teachings of African-Americans and bear witness to the progress, beauty, and achievements they have made throughout society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUALATIN, Oregon that Tualatin recognizes February 1 through February 28, 2025 as Black History Month and calls upon the people of Tualatin to observe this month with appropriate programs, activities, and reflections and to continue our efforts to create a world that is more just, equitable, and prosperous for all.

INTRODUCED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of January, 2025.

CITY OF TUALATIN, OREGON

BY _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

BY _____
City Recorder

